

HOUSE No. 2869

By Mr. Casey of Winchester, petition of Paul C. Casey and others relative to Proposition two and one-half underride questions. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Paul C. Casey
Patrick M. Natale

Richard R. Tisei

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROPOSITION 2 1/2 UNDERRIDE QUESTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 21C of Chapter 59 of the Massachusetts General Laws is
2 amended by adding the following—
3 “Upon receipt of a petition signed by five hundred (500) certified
4 registered voters, the Board of Selectmen shall place a Proposition
5 2½ Underride Question, for the dollar amount specified in the peti-
6 tion, on an election ballot by no later than the next scheduled Annual
7 Town Election; or sooner if a special or other appropriate election is
8 scheduled before then. The amount specified in a petition shall not
9 exceed the greater of either 2½% of the total current fiscal year
10 budget amount, or as applicable, 50% of the override amount, appro-
11 priated for the current fiscal year. If multiple petitions are submitted
12 prior to any of the aforementioned scheduled elections the dollar
13 amount for the Underride Question shall be taken from the petition
14 the specifies the highest amount. There shall be no limit on the
15 number of times that a petition my be presented for Board of
16 Selectmen action; however, the petition must be received by the
17 Board of Selectmen at least fifty (50) calendar days before a sched-
18 uled election date. This Act shall go into effect on the date of
19 approval.”